

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
WESTERN DIVISION  
NO. 5:14-cv-00387-D

TIMOTHY S. HADLEY,

Plaintiff,

v.

DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, INC., CAROLINA  
POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, PROGRESS  
ENERGY CAROLINAS, INC., PROGRESS  
ENERGY, INC., PROGRESS ENERGY  
SERVICE COMPANY, LLC, PROGRESS  
VENTURES, INC., DUKE ENERGY  
CORPORATION, DUKE ENERGY  
CAROLINAS, LLC, GLENDA SUE HARDISON  
individually and as an employee of aforementioned  
organizations, RICHARD MONTGOMERY  
individually and as an employee of aforementioned  
organizations, EUGENE SIMMONS individually  
and as an employee of aforementioned  
organizations, and NADINE KLOECKER-DUNN  
individually and as an employee of aforementioned  
organizations,

Defendants.

ORDER ON JOINT MOTION  
TO CONSOLIDATE

This matter came before the Court on the parties' joint motion pursuant to Rule 42(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to consolidate this action with the action captioned *Timothy S. Hadley v. Duke Energy Progress, Inc., et al.*, No. 5:14-cv-00229-D, which is also pending before this Court.

It appears to the Court that the cases involve the same defendants, the same operative facts, and present common questions of fact and law. It further appears that consolidating these actions will serve the interests of justice and efficiency, eliminate the possibility of inconsistent adjudication of common issues, and reduce the time otherwise required to litigate these actions separately, and thus good cause exists for consolidation of these actions.

Accordingly, in its discretion, the Court hereby orders that this action, No. 5:14-cv-00387-D, and the action captioned *Timothy S. Hadley v. Duke Energy Progress, Inc., et al.*, No. 5:14-cv-00229-D, be consolidated for discovery and all further proceedings.

SO ORDERED, this the 31 day of July, 2014.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Dever", is written over a horizontal line.

JAMES C. DEVER III  
Chief United State District Judge